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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Padigaru, *et al.*  
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/051,874 EXAMINER: Robert Landsman, Ph.D.  
FILING DATE: January 16, 2002 ART UNIT: 1647  
FOR: PROTEINS, POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING THEM AND METHODS OF USING THE  
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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Applicants request a petition for a two-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 4, 2003 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before September 4, 2003. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$205.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-245. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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